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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14 DES VŒUX ROAD CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 23rd December, 1902.

The very terrible affair which took place
on Sunday evening at Messrs. Butterfield
and Swire's works at Quarry Bay illus-
trates the difficulties attending life and
industrial enterprise in the Far East and at
the same time suggests that there is an
opportunity for certain action on the part
of the authorities responsible for the good
government of this Colony. Particulars
will be found in another column of the riot
which led to the death of at least three men.
The case was one of race against race, of
Chinese against Indians, with tremendous
numerical odds against the latter, whose
losses therefore were of course propor-
tionately much heavier, one man being
pounded to death with stones as he was
kneeling on his prayer-mat, while two more
died in hospital subsequently. Owing to
the peculiar temperament of the Chinese it
is necessary here to entrust such duties as
those of watchman, tallyman, etc., to men
of a different race, and some of our British
Indian subjects, roughly described as Sikhs,
are almost universally employed, their
faithfulness to their employers and their
general refusal to act in collusion with
Chinese of dishonest character being strong
recommendations. But, as is a very familiar
fact, there is no love lost between the
Chinese and the imported race, and there
is always present the element of trouble
arising from mutual dislike and contempt.
Sunday's affair appears to have arisen from
a very small beginning, but there may be
more in the matter than at present is

known. In any case, there is no doubt of
the seriousness of the outcome, and things
cannot well be allowed to rest as they
are. It seems plain on the face of
it that works employing so many hundreds
of Chinese, and Chinese too of a turbulent
nature (as can be said of practically all
labour gangs out here), require more police
protection than is at present afforded at
Quarry Bay. It is, we believe, the rule at
home to strengthen the police considerably
in the neighbourhood of such works. For
obvious reasons it would be impolitic to
arm the watchmen, etc., for that would
inevitably lead to more frequent cases of
bloodshed. The Government owes em-
ployers of labour, engaged in great indus-
trial undertakings adequate protection to
enable them to carry out their contracts in
a reasonable state of calm. On the other
hand, we do not think that the public
revenues alone can fairly be drawn
upon to provide a considerable increase of
the police force rendered necessary by enter-
prises which are expected to benefit
very largely those engaged in them. The
duty is a divided one. Fair-minded people
would naturally say that the great com-
panies which introduce into parts of
Hongkong large bodies of coolies must be
prepared to pay something for the extra
strain thrown upon the police of the Colony;
but the local authorities must too consider
that it is the promise of a properly governed
and policed Colony which induces firms to
undertake the great works which ensure the
progress of Hongkong. It is sincerely to
be hoped that some understanding, on these
lines, will be arrived at in the present case.

The news which our Shanghai correspond-
ent, telegraphing on Sunday night, describes
as conveyed in a "reliable" letter from
Shensi, if it be confirmed, must be con-
sidered very grave indeed. The statement
is that "General TUNG FU-SHIANG is in
Kansu, preparing ten thousand well-found
troops and buying large quantities of grain
and fodder for his soldiers. His intention
is to be believed, is to exterminate all foreign-
ers in the provinces of Shensi and Kansu
and to seize Hsinanfu. A friendly official
is advising all foreigners to leave Kansu."
The Chinese authorities at Peking appear
to be unwilling or powerless to control
"TUNG FU-SHIANG. Viceroy CHANG CHIH-
TUNG is disgusted and earnestly desires to
"retire." Now it has been reported, from time
to time, from various Northern sources, that
the exiled General, so constant a cause of
alarm to the Chinese ever since his flight
after the events of 1900, was quartered
at Ninghsia, Kansu province, with a body
of troops whose numbers were very variously
estimated. A recent number of the *China
Times* reports that two Europeans, Messrs.
CARVILL and DOUGLAS, who passed through
Ninghsia on a journey westward, though
they did not find TUNG FU-SHIANG there,
heard much about him. He was then re-
ported to be in the hills in the neighbourhood
of Pingliang, on the other side of Kansu,
about midway between Lanchow and Hsinan-
fu, and to have about 3,000 men with him.
The people in the neighbourhood were very
uneasy, and the women missionaries had
been sent to Shunghai as a precaution.
That there should now be women missionaries
so remote and disturbed a province is, we
consider, a disgrace to the societies which
sent them. Some time ago we expressed a
very faint hope that the missionary bodies
would consent to learn a lesson from the
tragedies of 1900 and would restrain at
least the women connected with them from
exposing themselves to shocking risks. We
also noted, more recently, that our hope
was vain. Attention is once more called to
the absolutely inexcusable conduct of the
societies, who show that it is beyond their
ability to learn a lesson of common sense
and common humanity. But there is more
than the safety of a few Europeans threat-
ened if the report about Tung proves to be
true. The peace of the whole of Central
China is menaced, and should such a move-
ment as that announced from Kansu once
begin to overrun the neighbouring provinces
the elements of disorder existing in them, as
in every Chinese province, might rapidly
swell the trouble to a size rivaling that of
the "Boxer" outbreak of 1900. The un-
fortunate effect of the Allies' punishment of
the Boxers and their Imperial patrons has
been to leave China even weaker than
before against internal rebellion. The
problem of how to strengthen the Chinese
Government against its own rebels without
at the same time arming it against the
Western Powers is perhaps the most
difficult that the world's diplomatists have
ever had to face.

The Legislative Council meeting summoned
for to-day will be held at 11 a.m. owing to
Unofficial Members having to attend meetings
in the afternoon.

The cases of communicable disease reported
in the Colony last week were—Plague 1
(Chinese), fatal; diphtheria 2 (1 European, 1
Chinese), 1 fatal; quersperal fever 1 (Chinese),
fatal.

The Hongkong Football Club Shield team
will play a practice match this afternoon at
half-past four.

Mr. J. Gram, formerly a Minister of State of
Norway, has been chosen to act as umpire in
the House Tax arbitration between Japan and
the Powers.

On the 16th inst. the Japanese House of
Representatives was prorogued for five days
when about to reject the project of the
Government for an increased land tax.

The Rev. W. H. C. Dunkerley, M.A., Colonial
Chaplain of Singapore, has been appointed by
the Bishop of Singapore and Sarawak to be
Archdeacon of Singapore in succession to the
Ven. John Porham.

The visitors to the City Hall Library and
Museum for the week ending 21st December
were 288 non-Chinese and 114 Chinese to the
former, and 85 non-Chinese and 2,097 Chinese
to the latter institution.

A Peking despatch, says the *N.C. Daily
News*, states that the plot to wrest the control
from the present Director-General of the China
Merchants' Co. has failed and that to all appear-
ances there will be no change made for some
time yet.

The latest Calcutta betting (11th inst.) for
the Viceroy's Cup leaves *Record Reign* first
favourite, 3 to 2 against; followed by *Up Quirde*,
5 to 1, *Vinto*, 10 to 1, *Dandy*, 8 to 1, and *Stand
Off*, 7 to 1. *Record Reign* is backed at 2 to 1
on for a place.

It is stated, says the *China Times*, that im-
mediate steps are being taken to get over the
difficulty of differing ganges on the Eastern
Manchurian and the Trans-Siberian Railways,
and that from 1st February trains will run
from Dalny to St. Petersburg in 13 days.

What is reported to be the largest iron pon-
toon ever built in Shanghai, constructed for
Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for use at
Chinkiang, was launched last Wednesday from
the yard of the Hongkong Engine Works. A
similar pontoon is being built for the same
firm's use at Hankow.

Japanese papers state that the C.P.R. s.s.
Atsuhiko, which arrived at Yokohama from
Vancouver on the 10th inst., was five days
overdue, having encountered terrible weather
the second day out from Vancouver, which
lasted 16 days. One sailor was killed and there
were other more or less serious injuries.

A Japanese, aged 45, was arrested at Tokyo
on the 7th inst. for destroying a weather
forecast bulletin posted at the Central Meteor-
ological Observatory. His grievance was that
the Observatory declined to use his method of
forecasting the weather by watching the
movements of a goldfish! The Observatory
people are evidently unenterprising.

H.E. Chang Chih-tung has decided that the
obsolete *Nansheng*, *Nankai*, *Paojing*, *Kaichai*,
and two other warships are to be struck off the
active list. In the meantime the funds that
will accumulate by the laying aside of the
money hitherto set apart for the upkeep of these
crusiers will be used to assist in the purchase of
stronger and more modern ships of war.

Miss Waldorf's return season, which opens
on Friday (Boxing Night) will include some
interesting attractions. On Friday and Satur-
day evenings the amusing farcical comedy
Turned Up will be played, and should prove an
appropriate Christmas bill. Owing to their
previous success and by general request, the
farcical comedy *The Lady of Odend*, and *Dumas'*
great tragedy *Camille* will be revived. For the
last nights of their highly successful season
Miss Waldorf's Company have reserved an
exceptional attraction in the first production in
the Orient of the new play *Sweet Nell of Old
Drury*.

It appears that we were wrong yesterday
in stating that nothing has been done in connection
with the laying of an American Pacific cable.
A telegram dated New York, December 18,
says:—"The laying of the Pacific cable from
the United States to the Philippines commenced
yesterday. All arrangements have been made
to push the work to rapid completion, and there
is no doubt but that Manila can communicate
direct with the U.S. on July 4, 1903, if not
sooner. July 4 is the date set by the company as
the latest for making the connection, but it is
anticipated that the work will be completed
some days previous to this." The convention
with the Cable Co. provides that a line shall be
made from Manila to Shanghai.

The *Times of India*, writing on "The Strain
on Japan," says:—"Of course the foreign Press
makes the most of any symptom of the country
feeling the strain of her army and navy; and to
a certain degree it undoubtedly does. But,
rightly or wrongly, from her own point of view,
Japan evidently intends to go on and to rank, if
not as a first-class naval power, then as the
leading second-class one. Four more battle-
ships and six armoured cruisers will make a
great difference in the Far East, and both
Russia and France will be compelled to increase
their naval forces in proportion. Both coun-
tries affect to believe that in the event of hos-
tilities Russia could produce some 200,000 men;
but it is difficult to see how two million men
would be of any practical use so long as the
Japanese fleet, and still more so if the Anglo-
Japanese fleet, were 'in being.' Russia really
sees this and continues hurrying out ships to
the Far East as fast as she builds them; but
the new programme, if carried through, must
still further delay her succeeding in equalising
the naval forces of the two alliances, and if
Japan will only see that her future depends on
her navy and not on her army she can prevent
Russia's plans with ease."

The Deputy District Grand Master of Hong-
kong and South China, Worshipful Brother
E.C. Ray, attended, with his officers, the regular
meeting of the Victoria Lodge No. 1046 last
evening, and installed Bro. E. H. Ray as
Worshipful Master. He invested his officers
as follows:—Senior Warden, Bro. C. W.
Longuet; Junior Warden, Bro. C. H. Grace;
Treasurer, Bro. E. Minow; Secretary, Wor.
Bro. A. O'D. Gordon; Senior Deacon, Bro. J.
H. Swan; Junior Deacon, Bro. W. C. Barrett;
Organist, Bro. C. F. G. Grimbale; Director of
Ceremonies, Bro. W. J. G. Whitley; Inner
Guard, Bro. P. W. Goldring; Steward, Bro. J.
M. Crago; Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone.

The 17th annual general meeting of the
Parak Sugar Refining Co. was held at Shanghai
on the 16th inst. After the report and accounts
had been passed, the Chairman (Mr. W. V.
Drummond) moved that a final dividend of 7
per cent, making a total of 12 per cent.
for the year, be declared—a proposition which
was carried. Before the termination of the
meeting, Mr. J. M. Young, in moving a vote of
thanks to the Board, suggested that the pro-
posed present to the manager of the estate be
made more worthy of acceptance. Mr. F.
Anderson suggested that the sum be increased
to \$10,000. The Chairman in returning thanks
said that the Board would be pleased to accept
Mr. Anderson's suggestion.

The Amoy correspondent of the *Shanghai
Mercury* writes:—"During the last twelve
months Amoy and the island of Kulangsu
have repeatedly been visited by sneak thieves,
to the great annoyance of the foreign land
Chinese population, and the Taoist established
a Chinese police guard in Kulangsu under
supervision of a small official; they first turned
out a smart looking lot of fellows, saluting any
foreigner they met, and did their duty as
guardsians very well, but at the present moment
they are a most slovenly lot of out-throat-
looking ragamuffins as ever walked on the
island of Kulangsu, and they are the ones that
we have to depend upon to keep away the
thieves; they are to be seen by any one taking
a walk around the island, day or night, fully
stretched out in some doorway or sheltered
place, gambling, smoking, or sleeping whilst
robberies are committed all around them on
the island of Kulangsu."

General Davis, U.S.A., in command of the
Philippines, made a report on July 3rd, 1902
on the subject of slavery in the archipelago.
The report was based upon the action of
Colonel William M. Wallace, commanding at
Jolo, in which he refused to return escaped
slaves. The Sultan made a complaint to
General Chaffee in regard to the matter, which
was referred back to General Davis, in command
of the department. General Davis declared
that escaping slaves should be protected in their
freedom, and that all should know that the
taking and owning of slaves is forbidden by
United States laws. Colonel Wallace says that
it would be impracticable to secure the freedom
of slaves by remaneration of their owners, as
tens of thousands would continue voluntarily
their services. They are not especially unhappy
and have few wants or necessities. He expressed
the opinion that slavery is not uncommon
among Christian Filipinos, and adds that
"slavery will never be eradicated in these islands
until public sentiment in the communities is
opposed to it, and this sentiment is slow of
growth."

The *Globe* writes:—"It would seem that the
effect of the heavy fall in the price of silver is
likely to be a very serious one for China; at
least the British Commercial *Attache* for that
country is of such opinion. In a very able
report just issued he states that the country
is standing on the eve of a very grave financial
crisis, which must act and react with far-
reaching consequences." During the present
year China has a further addition to her debt of
67½ millions sterling, originally converted from
gold into silver at 80 per cent. The effect of the
fall in silver has also been very marked on Chi-
nese trade. The exports, which in 1899 amount-
ed to 195 million taels, fell to 159 million in
1900, but rose to 169 million last year. Mr.
Jamieson sees only one way out of the difficulty,
namely, an immediate and extensive develop-
ment of her exports; but large as her potential re-
sources are, this is a matter which will take time
to develop. The opinions of Mr. Jamieson are
such as holders of Chinese securities cannot
afford to ignore, and it will not be surprising if
we find that they will have the effect of causing
the stocks to decline.

The beautiful spirit of charity is seldom
exhibited by foreigners in China. A correspond-
ent, writing to one of the Shanghai papers
about a visit to Hankow, delivers himself thus
with regard to religious life there:—"I attended
the Methodist Church of 'St. John's' in the
morning, and thought I had made a mistake
by selecting a Roman Catholic Service. True,
there was no incense or acolytes but, the cross-
ings, bowings, turning to the east, etc., etc.,
would have made the old Pope glad. The
Americans may call themselves free in having
no state-paid clergy, but if Methodist Epis-
copal services are all like this one I attended I
predict something other than freedom in the
days which are to come. The whole service to
me was cold and formal to a degree. The inside
of the Church would also be better for some
repairs: why let the building get shabby?"
So generous a critic's remarks will doubtless be
attended to at once by his victims. But the
gentleman was not altogether disappointed
with Hankow's religious life, for "the
evening service at the 'Rest' was a great
contrast. One felt 'at home' there, the whole
service was helpful. Dr. John and his son-in-
law divided the duties between them. Mr.
Sparham's address was suggestive as well as
instructive, and one felt at the close a spirit of
true worship."

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 20th December.

THE BRITISH EMBASSY AT ROME.

H.E. the Rt. Hon. Lord Curzon, G.C.B.,
British Ambassador at Rome, has resigned
owing to ill-health.

RUSSIA AND AFGHANISTAN.

A communiqué of the Russian Foreign
Office declares that the frontier settlement
with Afghanistan was arranged prior to the
Boer war. Russia addressed no request of any
sort to Great Britain, but simply notified her
of Russia's desire and intention to enter into
direct relations with Afghanistan.

MURDEROUS FIGHT AT
QUARRY BAY.

CHINESE & INDIANS.

A riot of a singularly savage nature took
place at 5.30 on Sunday evening at Messrs.
Butterfield and Swire's new works at Quarry
Bay, resulting in the death of three Indians
and, it is said, three Chinese, though the police
reports curiously enough only admit one man,
an Indian watchman, dead. The affair started
from an apparently trivial beginning, the Indian
watchman on duty at one end of the works
noticing a Chinese woman trying to smuggle
some wool away and stopping her. While he
endeavoured to take the wool away a Chinese
coolie hit him over the head with a bamboo pole.
He started to go for assistance to the other end
of the works to summon assistance when a
number of other coolies attacked him with
stones and poles. There are 48 Indians
employed as watchmen, tallymen, etc., at Quarry
Bay by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and
the disturbance brought most of them out.
But by this time there were over 1,000
Chinese ready to take part in the fray, and
matters became very serious. One unfortunate
Indian, we learn, was engaged in prayer at the
time and was set upon by a mob, which pounded
him to death with large stones. Seven others
were badly injured, and two of these have
subsequently died. On the Chinese side, accord-
ing to their own accounts, three were killed,
but there is no evidence of this. The appearance
on the scene of the nearest policemen and some
of the European staff engaged on the works
caused an instant dispersal of the mob, but
ghostly evidences of the fight were left. The
floor of one building was strewn with stones
and covered with blood-stains and the wounded
Indians were lying about. It was impossible
when the police arrived to arrest anyone, as
the Chinese, naturally did not wait to be
identified. The suddenness with which the In-
dians were attacked rather suggests that the
affair was prearranged, but nothing definite has
transpired to show this. The wounded Indians
were taken to hospital, but the coolies had
removed their own sufferers, and it was im-
possible to find whether any were actually
killed. Yesterday, we believe, the surviving
Indians could not be persuaded to go on duty,
and a temporary cessation of work was inevit-
able. Though the affair was, while it lasted, a
very sanguinary one, news of it did not reach
Victoria until very late on Sunday night, and
then only a few of the persons most interested
were made aware of it.

SERIOUS DISTURBANCE IN
KOWLOON.

The police reported yesterday that a serious
street fight between Europeans and Indian
soldiers took place in Elgin Road, Kowloon, on
Saturday night. Though had enough at its
finish, the affair had a very trifling origin. At
the place where the fire in Elgin Road recently
took place an Indian constable was stationed
on duty, and during the evening he was accosted
by about half-a-dozen Indian soldiers, one of
whom complained that he had been robbed of
a dollar in a certain Chinese house and
asked the constable to arrest the person
whom he suspected of the act. The constable
explained that he could not leave his post, and
on his refusing absolutely to proceed to the
house indicated the native soldiers set upon
him and attempted to "frog-march" him to the
barracks on the other side of the roadway.
The constable succeeded in sounding his whistle
for assistance, and two or three Europeans, one
of them a policeman in civilian attire, came
from the Queen's Hotel to his help. The Indian
constable, as may be guessed, was having a rough
time of it, but, outnumbered though he was, he
hung on tenaciously to one of his assailants,
said to be a jemadar. The Europeans directed
their attention to rescuing the constable from
his plight and attempting to arrest some of the
others, but reinforcements of soldiers from the
adjoining barracks made the odds against them
too heavy, and compelled them to seek safety
in flight. These reinforcements are said to
have numbered about a hundred men, armed
with hockey sticks, which they wielded with
the greatest energy, overcoming all opposition
and quite clearing the street. The matter was
reported to the police at Tsimshai station,
who in turn apprised the English officers of the
Indian regiment of the occurrence, and develop-
ments are now awaited. The affair is one that
should be sifted to the bottom, for such flagrant
breaches of the peace cannot possibly be
tolerated.

ACCIDENT IN THE HARBOUR.

On Sunday a sampan was capsized in Yau-
mat Bay by a cargo-boat running into it.
The occupants, a woman and two children, were
thrown into the water, and ran a narrow escape
for their lives. A Yau-mat ferry-boat was
passing at the time, and seeing the danger two
Chinamen jumped into the water and held up
the drowning trio until they were safely picked
up. One of the children was far spent, and had
to be sent to hospital.

THE ALLEGED MURDER IN
SHIP STREET.

Yesterday morning, at the Central Police
Station, the Japanese sailor who is accused of
murdering his wife in a house in Ship Street on
Sunday morning was identified from amongst
a number of countrymen by several Japanese
female inmates of the house where the tragedy
took place; none of these showed any hesitation
in pointing out the accused, who is a strongly-
built man and appeared to realise the gravity of
his position. Two women who rushed into the
room when they heard the woman's screams said
that they saw him jumping on her with his
booted feet as she lay in bed. The defendant was
brought up at the Magistrate's and remanded.

POISONING IN ILOILO.

The Spanish paper *El Mercantil*, referring to
the question of the poisoning of the wells of
Iloilo, says that Governor Taft has issued orders
for the stay of all proceedings in connection
with the poisoning by "Olivares powder" and
that the magistrate shall await the arrival of a
special judge to try the case. *El Mercantil*
adds some details with regard to the conduct of
the Augustinian friar, Fr. Juan Fernandez,
parish priest of Iloilo. A native, it is said,
presented himself before the authorities, de-
nouncing the priest who, in the course of a visit to
a sick native, declared to the informant that there
was no cholera nor anything like it about, but
that there was a decided intention on the part
of the Americans to kill off the natives by
means of powders and poisoned pills. The
Manila Reminiscences, from which we take the
above, says in conclusion, that for the truth of
the story the arrival of the special judge must
be awaited.

HONGKONG SANITARY BOARD.

A meeting of the Board will be held to-day,
23rd December, at 4.15 p.m.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

NIL.

G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

AGENDA.

1. Recommendations by the Medical Officer
of Health in connection with the occurrence of
Enteric Fever in MacDonnell Road.
2. Further correspondence relative to the
provision of a back-yard for No. 1, Ladder
Street.
3. Further correspondence relative to cholera
at Manila.
4. Result of the analysis of two samples of
well water.
5. Applications from Messrs. Denison, Ram
and Gibbs to substitute glazed socket pipes for
iron ones for 13 houses in K.M.L. 31, Sections
B and C.
6. Application for the erection of three water-
closets in the building on Inland Lot No. 1,633.
7. Mortality Statistics for the weeks ended
December 6th and 13th, 1902.
8. Litterwashing Return for the fortnight
ended December 20th, 1902.
9. Rat Return for the fortnight ended
December 22nd, 1902.

ENQUIRIES INTO COLLAPSES OF BUILDINGS.

PRAYA EAST.

Yesterday afternoon, before Mr. F. A. Hazen and a common jury, the official enquiry was resumed into the circumstances attending the fatal collapse of house No. 45, Praya East, on 2nd August last. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, appeared on behalf of the Government, Mr. H. W. Looker on behalf of the architect, Messrs. Leigh and Orange, and Mr. C. D. Wilkinson on behalf of the contractor, Man Wo, Mr. A. S. Hooper watched the case on behalf of the Land Investment Company, of which he is secretary.

Lung Tung, who occupied a room on the first floor at 45, Praya East when the collapse occurred, said he made an inspection of the house first before the accident and found all the windows shut. He was partly buried in the debris of the collapse, and was rescued by a European constable.

Evidence Michael Xavier, assistant engineer in the Public Works Department, said he made several personal inspections of the houses between June and November, 1900, but thought he did not go into No. 45, Praya East. He knew nothing about the houses, however, and as far as he could recollect had never examined into the condition of the collapsed side wall of No. 45.

Percy Thomas Crisp, inspector of buildings, Public Works Department, said he only arrived in the Colony on 9th November, 1901, and knew nothing of the houses that had collapsed. He inspected them when completed in connection with the application for a certificate authorizing their occupation, but made no entry in his diary in relation to that visit, the result of the visit in question was that he recommended the houses to be passed. When he made it he did not take with him the plans deposited in the Public Works Department. It was not the rule then to take plans out, and he had never been told to do so. He cut no holes in the walls to ascertain their condition; that was a practice he followed only after the Colborne Street collapse.

Henry Ernest Yorke Haggard, assistant engineer in the Public Works Department, deposed that on 3rd August he made an inspection of the collapsed house in Praya East to discover whether there was anything dangerous to the public safety, and again on 27th August with the view of learning the general condition of the walls and the quality of the materials. The bricks were all of fair quality—of good quality, he might say, for this Colony; the mortar also was fair. In some cases, however, the mortar joints in the portion of wall left standing were not properly filled up, and the bonding was bad at the junction of the front and western walls; the bonding of the collapsed side wall itself was fair. In his opinion the immediate cause of the collapse was the typhoon, but the side wall might not have been sufficiently thick. Again, the wind might have got in at the back window on the top floor and blown the wall out; the window might have been forced open by the storm. His opinion was that the wall which collapsed was not strong enough to withstand a typhoon.

By Mr. Looker: The wall was of the thickness prescribed by the Building Ordinance. William Chantlain, Director of Public Works, was next called. He stated that when the permit for the houses in Praya East was issued the practice with regard to walls exceeding 35 feet in length was to deal with them as ordinary walls. In his opinion, however, that was not a proper practice, and he also thought that the dimensions prescribed by the Building Ordinance for walls not exceeding 35 feet in length were not sufficient for a wall 45 feet 11 inches in length; the dimensions in the latter case, which were those of the side wall at 45, Praya East, ought to be increased. It was quite possible, at the same time, that if the plan showing these dimensions had been specially brought to his attention at the time he would have passed it. The deviation from the original plan was a serious one, undoubtedly. Since the collapse he had examined the remains of the house and formed the opinion that the bonding was somewhat defective. Had the bonding been good it might have tended to prevent the collapse.

In answer to Mr. Looker, witness said the alterations in the plan in no way infringed the provisions of the Building Ordinance. The granting of the certificate must be held, he thought, to be an approval of the deviation by the Public Works Department.

Frank Browne, Government Analyst, gave the results of his analysis of the mortar used in the building of the houses. One sample, considering its age and hardness, was good; the other was powdery, and there were bad.

The examination of Frederick Thomas Baines Hewitt, building surveyor attached to the Royal Engineers' barracks, who attributed the collapse to the weakness of the back wall, concluded the evidence, and the hearing was adjourned till to-day at 2.15 p.m.

CRICKET.

CRAIGENOWER G.C. V. ARMY ORDANCE DEPARTMENT.

The above teams met at the Happy Valley on Saturday last and after a very keenly fought game the match ended in favour of the A.O.D. by 2 runs. The following are the scores and analysis:—

A. O. D.			
Lillywhite, b Brown	17		
Jewsbury, b Poston	1		
Skinner, b Brown	4		
Rutter, b Poston	0		
Bradford, b Poston	0		
Gold, b Poston	2		
Cooke, b Poston	6		
Moore, run out	0		
Bromley, b Poston	0		
Lansley, c Asger, b Brown	0		
Lashbrook, not out	3		
Extras	0		
Total	33		
CRAIGENOWER G.C.			
J. P. Jones, b Bradford	0		
A. O. Brown, b Cooke	0		
M. E. Asger, b Bradford	2		
R. Bass, b Bradford	5		
L. E. Lammer, c Cooke, b Bradford	0		
L. A. Ross, b Bradford	0		
R. Poston, run out	0		
J. L. Stuart, run out	11		
M. H. Hartman, b Bradford	6		
A. E. Asger, c Bradford, b Cooke	6		
L. Vincent, not out	0		
Extras	5		
Total	31		

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

A. O. D.			
Praya	0	M.	W.
Poston	8.5	3	7
CRAIGENOWER G.C.			
Bradford	8	6	7
Cooke	7.5	2	19

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, 22nd December.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

SECOND STREET COLLAPSE—CONTRACTORS FOUND NOT GUILTY.

Proceedings were resumed in the case in which Tam Kit and U Ching, building contractors, were charged with causing the death of a boy named Wong Chun in connection with the Second Street collapse on 2nd August. They were defended by Mr. M. W. Slade, barrister-at-law (instructed by Mr. P. W. Goldring, solicitor); the prosecution was conducted by the Attorney-General, Hon. Sir Henry S. Berkeley (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor).

The following was the jury—W. Demich, H. Verelmann, W. M. Dear, D. Currie, T. Galbraith, E. Gibson, and G. W. Baidar.

The evidence had been completed on Friday last and counsel addressed the jury on Saturday. His Lordship in summing up reviewed the evidence at length. In directing the jury on the point of law he said it is the duty of a person who contracts to build a house for another for human habitation to use reasonable care that the work is properly carried out. Where, as in this Colony, certain statutory enactments are in force as to the proper bonding of the walls and the materials which are to be used, it is the duty of the person undertaking to build to see that those statutory requirements are complied with. It is also his duty to carry out the terms of the contract. In this Colony, therefore, the person who contracts to build a house for another has cast upon him certain statutory duties and certain duties arising out of his contract. If, by any grave failure, to perform his duties, he, by his criminal negligence, in the performance of his duties or in the omission to perform his duties, he had caused the death of a human being, he had caused that death unlawfully and was guilty of manslaughter. It was a very important matter, he said, in conclusion, that when human life was lost there should be a very careful investigation not only to find out how it happened, but to prevent it happening again if possible. It was a serious matter the jury had got to consider. They would be doing very wrong if they said, "There have been a great many collapses; we must bring somebody to book, we will convict the first person who comes before us." He would insist their intelligence by supposing for a moment, however, that they would take up that view. What they had to do here, and what they had taken an oath to do, was to return a verdict according to the evidence. As to what evidence they were to accept, they must form their own opinion. They would have to think whom the men were who undertook to build these houses. Were they competent? Should they have taken this job at all? If one of them was not competent, then was the other competent? Each of the men seemed to say that he had not been responsible; each said that it was the other who had to do with it. Was it a legitimate conclusion, then, for the jury to draw that the work was not properly supervised; no person of any skill or intelligence supervised it; a contract man was employed to procure labour; no man to secure him to see that the labour was properly done? The man who undertook a contract to build a house did not choose to take any responsibility for the supervision put himself in a perilous position. Things might turn out luckily for him and the house be well built, he might get off all right and make his money, but the law enforced that a man who put himself on as a building contractor was bound to use reasonable skill and intelligence. He should learn his business as an apprentice. The jury have to consider whether these men were competent. If they took the statement of the men themselves that they did not go into the building operations in connection with these houses then it was evident that there was no proper supervision of the work at all. What was the result? Was the wall properly built, and, if it was not properly built, where were the faults? No one suggested that the bonding was good. The bonding was bad; it had been stated so by Mr. Haggard and Mr. Hewitt. The law required the bonding to be good. The section of the Act referring to this said, "Every wall shall be properly bonded and substantially put together." This wall was not properly bonded. It was for the jury to consider whether that constituted the fall of the wall. As regards the mortar there was a conflict of evidence. Mr. Tocher said it seemed to be of fair quality. Mr. Hewitt said it was not good but on the good side of indifferent, and that there was a straight joint for nearly the whole length of the building—between the party wall and the front wall, and that was decidedly bad workmanship; the bonding was bad especially at the corners, where it ought to be especially good; the corbelling courses had mostly given and they were slanted instead of being flat. Therefore the jury had got to this point, if they were asked, what were the faults—undoubtedly bad corbelling and bad bonding. No one had given any evidence that they were good. If these things conducted to help to make a wall fall—this wall fell—under a wind which was not of typhoon force, was it not negligence on the part of the man who put it up? His Lordship submitted that the jury had to consider now whether these men were guilty of a grave dereliction of their duty; grave failure to comply with the requirements of the Act. If they were, and that Act contributed to the fall of the wall, should the jury think that the wall fell on the roof and killed the boy they were bound to find the prisoners guilty. If they had any reasonable doubt about the matter, if they thought that the wind was of typhoon force and that No. 12 fell in first and so brought the wall of No. 10 down, then it would not be the fault of these men. He thought he had laid down the law and had given the facts to the jury. He would give them the return of the verdict of the wind on the day in question and ask them to retire and consider their verdict and say whether there had been a great failure of duty on the part of these men. The questions he would leave to them were: Was the death of the boy Wong Chun caused by the collapse of No. 12, Second Street? Was that collapse caused by the fall of the wall of No. 10? Was the fall of the wall of No. 10 occasioned by the neglect of the defendants or either of them (and which) to use reasonable care and skill in the construction of No. 10? If so, was such neglect so gross as to amount to criminal negligence? As to criminal negligence his Lordship adopted the words of Justice Blackburn in *Reg. v. Eyr, Fielden's Report*, p. 57: "Criminal negligence is a phrase constantly used in criminal cases, but the amount of negligence that would make a man so responsible cannot be defined. It is not a little failure in duty that would make him criminally responsible, a great failure of duty undoubtedly would. The line between the two is hard to define and must be left to a great extent in each individual case to the common sense of the

jury whether or not the degree of failure of duty is criminal.

After an absence of about half-an-hour the jury returned into Court. When asked for their verdict.

The Foreman said—Unanimously not guilty of manslaughter.

His Lordship—Let the prisoners be discharged.

The Foreman—Your Lordship, may the jury add a rider.

His Lordship—You are here to try these men and you have found them not guilty. That is all we have to do with it. However, let me hear your rider and I will consider it.

The Foreman—The jury desire to add this rider to their verdict: "The jury are of the opinion that the authorities should adopt more stringent measures to prevent houses being built in such a manner as in this case over which we have given our verdict, where incompetent men are left entirely to themselves without any supervision whatever to erect houses in such a manner as to render them most dangerous for human habitation and the public at large."

The Attorney-General—We cannot do more than make a law. If juries choose to acquit people who disregard the law the responsibility is upon the gentlemen of the jury; the authorities can do no more than they have already done. The responsibility for the endangering of life is entirely upon the jury for the verdict they have given. We can do nothing more than make the law which they disregard.

His Lordship—It is for you (the jury) to find the verdict. The responsibility is upon you. As regards the other part of the verdict you are not legislators in this Court. That is a matter for the administration. What we wanted to know was whether this house was properly built and if any blame was attached to the prisoners. You have acquitted them, and there is an end of it.

The Attorney-General—There has been no white man killed yet by a collapse. When some white man is killed the jury may take a somewhat more serious view.

His Lordship—They say in their rider, that measures should be taken to prevent houses being built in such a way as was done in this case, and they return a verdict of not guilty.

The Attorney-General—By the rider they stultify themselves.

His Lordship—If the jury will not convict a man we cannot stop him from doing it; you can make a law, and yet you cannot hold that man responsible who has been contrary to law.

The Attorney-General—They unanimously found that these incompetent persons are not guilty and think the authorities should take some strong measures to do what I do not know. The rider is absolutely inconsistent with the verdict, and the verdict with the rider; taken together they stultify the jury. I would commend the jury to the future to adhere to their verdict and leave riders alone. It is often safer to give a judgment without giving reasons.

The jury were discharged.

ARMED ROBBERY.

Lo Wing and Sung Li pleaded not guilty to a charge of having committed armed robbery at Kuku, Mrs. Bay, on 25th November.

The following juries were empanelled:—Messrs. H. E. Morris, J. Y. de la Bruchellerie, J. B. Barrett, G. A. Yanovich, R. H. B. Mitchell, L. S. Levy, and L. L. Lopes.

The evidence showed that during the night three robbers dropped through the roof of a farm-house at Kuku, terrorised the inmates with a revolver and a knife and got off with a quantity of clothing and a pair of silver bangles. The two prisoners were captured next day with some of the stolen articles in their possession.

The jury found both prisoners guilty.

His Lordship sentenced them each to five years imprisonment with hard labour and to receive 20 strokes with the birch during the first week, or their action in capturing the prisoners his Lordship commended L. S. Wilson, P. S. 54 and I. P. C. 555.

ANOTHER ARMED ROBBERY.

Wong Ping and Chien Fong were empanelled on a charge of having committed armed robbery at Shek O on 25th November.

The following jury was chosen:—Messrs. S. F. de Jesus, P. F. de Cruz Pratta, R. H. B. Mitchell, E. G. Barrett, G. A. Yanovich, J. J. Lopes, and A. G. G. Gordon.

After hearing the evidence, which went to show that four men, of whom the prisoners were two, entered a dwelling-house at night-time armed with a revolver and a knife, threatened the inmates and stole a large amount of clothing and valuable, the jury returned a verdict of guilty against both the accused.

His Lordship said that this armed robbery was getting a very serious matter. It would have to be put a stop to. Every Sessions now they had five or six of these cases of ruffians dropping through the roofs of houses and robbing poor villagers. The people who associated with these gangs and received the stolen property were as bad as the robbers themselves. He sentenced each of the prisoners to five years' hard labour and to receive 20 strokes with the birch during the first week.

The Court rose shortly after four o'clock.

INOCULATION MISHAP IN INDIA.

The Indian Civil and Military Gazette writes:—It is evident that no good object can be attained by keeping silence any longer about the unfortunate inoculation mishap at Malakwal. The subject for some time now has been public property in the Province, and while we can sympathise with the desire of the Government to get at the bottom of the case by a close investigation of the whole facts and circumstances, being on an unfortunate result, delay in issuing a clear statement, which we may take it for granted is intended, must give occasion for erroneous, and not wilfully perverted reports and incorrect conclusions.

The bare facts, as we have gathered them, are briefly as follow: After a series of inoculations conducted by a European doctor in the small village of Malakwal, near Gurgaon, where the people came forward freely, headed by their local officials, several cases of illness occurred and these rapidly became grave. Suspicion was quickly directed to one particular phial of inoculation serum, and we believe subsequent analysis has proved it must have been contaminated when issued. Meantime the whole of the persons inoculated from that phial had become dangerously ill, and nineteen in all have died from the effects of the contaminated serum. The Provincial Government, in view of the risk that other phials might also be affected, ordered inoculation to be stopped throughout the Province, pending an investigation and elimination of serum that might be found open to suspicion. The source of contamination, we hear, has been traced to Bombay, but the cause is not yet made known. Meantime the temper of the people has been beyond all praise. They have frankly recognised the accidental character of the mishap, and profess themselves ready to go on with inoculation when, and if, the authorities allow a fresh start to be made. The case of those dependent on the unfortunate sufferers will, we are sure, meet with such practical sympathy and redress as is possible at the hands of Government.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA JAPAN AND SHANGHAI.

VENEZUELA.

London, 10th December. There is a reported renewal of the revolution under General Matos, who commanded the insurgents in the former outbreak. The United States have despatched seven warships, under Admiral Dewey, to Venezuelan waters to watch the course of events. The United States will prevent any cessation of territory.

London, 17th December. The German man-of-war *Panther* has gone to Mercurio, to capture the remainder of the Venezuelan fleet.

Venezuela has replied to the Italian note, which is not an ultimatum, in the same terms as to England. The Italian Minister is still at Caracas.—N.C. Daily News.

Seoul, 11th December. Mr. E. Stein, Russian Charge d'Affaires, when calling on Minister Hayashi, declared that Russia had no intention of availing of Ye Young-ik's flight to the Russian Legation to obtain special advantages, and that Russia had never negotiated for a loan to Corea.

THE PROGRESS OF MR. CHAMBERLAIN. London, 17th December. Mr. Chamberlain has visited Nair Ubi, and witnessed a war dance of the natives.—N.C. Daily News.

NEWS VIA RANGOON.

THE SHANS AND NORTHERN SIAM. Kengtung, 1st December. A party of 25 rifles, with a Native Officer, under the command of Lieutenant Stacey, left on the 15th November to proceed with the Political Officer to the Siam border near Hwangluk. All is quiet on the Kengtung side of the border, but as the Siamese troops advance to within a few days' march of Hwangluk, Siamese fugitives with their families and belongings are entering Kengtung as well as French territory. The object of the Political Officer's tour is to help the Kengtung Shans in watching the border to prevent any decoits or other undesirable characters from entering; also to co-operate and settle border matters with the Siamese authorities and to remove Siamese wild and exaggerated alarms of the reported contemplated invasion of North Siam by Kengtung Shans.

CHINA IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

SUPPLY OF COAL FOR THE NAVY IN CHINA. Several questions of interest were asked in the House of Commons on the 18th inst. —

Mr. D. A. Thomas asked the Secretary to the Admiralty whether the New Zealand coal supplied to the China fleet was of a quality equal to the best, and whether it was difficult and often betrayed the position of the ship using it long before her masts appeared in sight.

Mr. P. J. M. It is known that New Zealand coals emit more smoke than Welsh coal of good quality. The Commander-in-Chief has recently reported that the steaming qualities of the coal are excellent, and since the steaming have been accustomed to its use the quantity of smoke emitted is less than it was.

Mr. D. A. Thomas asked the Secretary to the Admiralty whether his attention had been drawn to a memorandum recently issued to senior officers on the China Station in reference to the friable nature of Westport coal and the large proportion of small coal it contained, and desiring that its value should be made known generally in order to anticipate complaints which might be made by officers unacquainted with the coal; and would he say if it was the practice of the Admiralty to anticipate complaints of stores supplied to the Navy.

Mr. P. J. M. It was recently pointed out to the Commander-in-Chief on the China Station that cargoes of Westport coal were, for various reasons, likely to comprise a larger proportion of small coal than is the case with Welsh coal though the steaming qualities of the former had been found from experience not to be affected seriously thereby, and he was directed to inform commanding officers of His Majesty's ships to this effect. It is probably to some memorandum issued by the Commander-in-Chief in pursuance of these directions that the hon. member refers. The reply to the second part of the question is in the negative.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

Mr. Labouchere asked the Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether His Majesty's Government had given any pledges or entered into any reciprocal agreements with any foreign Power in regard to China or Japan of which this House has not been made cognisant; whether it has given any such pledges or entered into any such reciprocal agreements in regard to the Mediterranean or to any country abutting on it with any foreign Power of which this House has not been made cognisant.

Vicount Cranborne: I venture to hope that the honourable gentleman will forgive me if I am only able to reply that I have no statement to make upon the enquiry which he has addressed to me. Any other reply, he will allow me to say, would be contrary to the public interest.

Mr. G. G. Bowles asked what protection would be afforded by a vessel to British subjects in the interior.

No answer was given.

THE CREW OF THE "TERRIBLE."

Mr. Harcourt asked the Secretary to the Admiralty whether, in view of the fact that the leave of the men of the *Terrible* would expire before the beginning of the Christmas leave, the Lords of the Admiralty could see their way to allow the men to combine the two periods, so as to return after Christmas.

Mr. Arnold Forster: The Christmas leave at the ports has to be arranged in connection with the general duties of each port, and with regard to personnel as a whole. The Admiralty do not consider it desirable to instruct the Commander-in-Chief to except from these conditions the men of any individual ship.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Yacuta Maru* (Australian Line) left Manila for this port on the 21st inst., and is expected to arrive here to-day.

The P. & O. steamer *Pekin* left Singapore for this port on the 20th inst., at 8 a.m.

The "Ben Lira" steamer *Benlira* from Leipzig and London left Singapore yesterday for this port.

The P.M. steamer *China* sails from Yokohama for this port to-day.

The C.N. steamer *Chingta* left Kobe for this port on the 20th inst., and is expected to arrive here at daylight on the 25th inst.

The P.M. steamer *Peru* arrived at San Francisco on the 19th inst.

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HUGHES & HOUGH.

ICE HOUSE STREET.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902.

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NORTHERN NOTES.

We take the following items from P. & T. Times of the 6th inst.:—

The Siberian route is clearly becoming popular in Tientsin for mails. On Tuesday night there was quite a rush of work at the French post office on the Bund between 4 and 5 p.m.

The officials are embodied courtesy in making matters plain; and there is one soldier, who though self-taught, speaks capital English.

Viceroy Cheng has censured Sheng Tai-tai for twelve times, says the *Jih Jih*. There is a story current that Sheng declined a requested loan to Chang when he was leaving Hapeh, and that this has made an enemy of the Viceroy.

We hear from authoritative but not official sources that Mr. J. L. Scott, the Chairman of the Shanghai Branch of the China Association, and Dr. Robertson of Tientsin are to be the other two members of the Committee of the China shareholders re the C. E. and M. Co. investigation.

Prince Ching will most probably visit Japan for the Exhibition next year. He is too old to venture on a long journey, but thinks he can manage the short sea trip to Japan.

The repairing of the North Gate of Peking, which was destroyed by the Allies, has now been completed and traffic has been resumed through it.

Never since the port has been opened have building operations been so general in December. The bricklayers and plasterers are all working at top speed, and incipient frost is apparently a forgotten quantity. A score of houses are well beyond the stage that the contractors ever thought they would reach this year.

The great success of the Peking Industrial Institute has led to the Government giving incentives for similar institutes to be established in connection with all primary schools.

More machinery has arrived for the Tientsin Mint, and it is expected that the coinage of copper cent pieces will be started very shortly. According to *L'Impartial*, the China Merchants S. N. Co. has not made such profits as was expected, and there is some talk of introducing foreign capital. The proposal is now before the Government, but no decision has yet been arrived at.

Gen. Chiang's troops in Peking, which have been charged with the special duty of the suppressing of robbery and brigandage, have made but little progress on these lines. This is hardly strange, perhaps, when we hear that many of the robberies are committed by "men in uniform."

An Indian deserter has been sent back to Peking from Kalgan, where he has been for some months indulging in a little high life, which has resulted in an accumulation of various costly garments, trinkets and ponies.

The *China Times* regrets to hear of the death of M. Andre-Pierre Ricard, student interpreter at the French Consulate, which took place at Tientsin on 7th inst., at the French Hospital General. M. Ricard was 23 years of age, and had only been in China a few months. He was a pleasant and very promising young Frenchman.

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JOHNSON STOKES & MASTER.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3435]

LOST.

IN the lavatory of the Hongkong Hotel a Gentleman's English SILVER LEVER WATCH and GOLD CHAIN with GOLD LOCKET and JAPANESE IVORY CREAM attached.
The finder will be rewarded if necessary on returning same to
H.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3424]

ST. ANDREW'S BALL.

FOUND, in the City Hall (and handed to me today), a SAPPHIRE GOLD BRACELET. Will be restored to the Owner on application to
DAVID WOOD,
Hon. Secretary, St. Andrew's Society.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3431]

ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREE MASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, at 5.30 for 6 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hon. Secretary, St. Andrew's Society.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3434]

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREE MASON'S HALL, on MONDAY, the 29th DECEMBER, at 5.30 for 6 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hon. Secretary, St. Andrew's Society.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3433]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 23rd DECEMBER, 1902, at NOON, at their SALES ROOMS, No. 8, Des Voux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, 12 Cases CHEESE, 13 Cases OLD TOM GIN, 15 Cases RUM, and Several Cases CHAMPAGNE and BEER.
TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3432]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. F. G. COLLINS, to sell by Public Auction, within his Residence, "DUNFORD," MOUNT KELLET, The Peak, on
SATURDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, 1902, at 11 A.M., THE WHOLE of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:—
BRASS-MOUNTED DOUBLE BED-STEADS with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, MARBLE TOP WASH-STANDS and DRESSING TABLES with BEVELLED GLASS, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE, LEATHER-COVERED CHAIRS, TEAKWOOD OVERMANTELS with BEVELLED GLASS, DINNER SERVICE, TEA and DESSERT SETS, CUTLERY and GLASSWARE, OLD CHINA VASES from Peking, &c., &c.;
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(R-freshments will be supplied during the sale.)
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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3427]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.
THE Company's Steamship
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Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 24th inst., at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3429]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Company's Steamship
"HAITAN,"
Captain Beach, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 25th inst., at DAYLIGHT.
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DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3428]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR GENOA, LONDON AND ANTWERP.
THE Steamship
"BENLOMOND,"
Captain Station, will be despatched, as above on WEDNESDAY, the 31st inst.
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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3421]

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NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of the late M. EDALJE SHAPORJEE LAHERI in the Firm of Messrs. E. MANECKJEE & CO. Ceased and Determined on the 31st January, 1901.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1901. [3436]

BEKANTMACHUNG.

DIE BEKANTMACHUNG aus dem diesseitigen Handelsregister, sowie andere gesetzlich vorgeschriebene Veröffentlichungen werden im Jahre 1903 durch den "OSTASIATISCHEN LLOYD" und die "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" erfolgen.
Swatow, den 19. December 1902.
Der KAISERLICH DEUTSCHER KONSUL I. V. KRAUSE.

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For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE, Hongkong Agency.
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TARO HODSUMI,
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For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.
E. W. BUTLER,
Manager.
For the DEUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.
H. FIGGE,
Manager.
For the GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK.
E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. [3426]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship
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having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M. on the 25th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.
Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
DAVID SASSON & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 22nd-December, 1902. [3430]

WANTED.

YOUNG ASSISTANT wanted for Robinson Piano Co., Ltd., Shanghai House.
Apply to—
W. V. ROBINSON.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. [3372]

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1902. [3258]

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1902. [3215]

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Hongkong, 2nd December, 1902. [3216]

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Hongkong, 21st November, 1902. [2784]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 23rd DECEMBER, 1902, at 2 P.M., at their SALES ROOMS, 8, Des Voux Road Central, Corner of Ice House Street,
A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS, comprising:—
SATSUMA and CLOISONNE VASES and WALL PLATES, IVORY CARVINGS, IVORY INLAID LACQUERED PANELS and SCREENS, OLD BRONZES, TEA SETS, JARDINIERS, &c., &c.
TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [3395]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Office and Sales Rooms of the Undersigned have been REMOVED to No. 8, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL, Corner of Ice House Street.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 15th December, 1902. [3358]

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The Company does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
Tenders shall be for a cost payable in Singapore, in Singapore currency.
Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to the 28th day of February, 1903.
By Order of the Directors,
W. G. NIVEN,
Secretary,
The Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, Limited.
Singapore, 21st November, 1902. [3278]

THE MOSQUITO AND

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"The most interesting Lecture delivered in Hongkong."
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Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. [3401]

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TO LET.

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Hongkong, 7th November, 1902. [2972]

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For Particulars, please apply to
Mr. LI PAK,
Care of Comptroller,
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
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Hongkong, 5th December, 1902. [3261]

TO LET.

TWO NEWLY BUILT HOUSES, from 10th January, at Kennedy Road, with excellent accommodation and a good view of the Harbour.
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Hongkong, 12th December, 1902. [3330]

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Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [3313]

TO LET.

"FERNWOOD," UPPER RICHMOND ROAD.
Apply to—
DEACON & HASTINGS,
10, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 30th October, 1902. [2783]

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It is not really joyful to think that there is a prospect during this football season of a club securing the highest honours which the League can bestow and yet an organisation which is new to the position? Perhaps the reader does not share my enthusiasm for those who are knocking at the door of the Temple of Fame, perchance he has sympathy for the old gang, and may be he is a worshipper of the past. Now, frankly, I love history, but I glory in the ever-living glowing present, and I detest monopolies—especially in sport. We are now in the fifteenth season of the League, and during this long period, twenty-five clubs have belonged to the senior circle—to the First Division as it is generally called. But of these twenty-five, only six have ever been champions, for Aston Villa have been the premier players in five years, Sunderland in four, Preston in two, and Everton, Sheffield United and Liverpool each in once. Naturally no one has the slightest ill-will against any of these famous teams, but just as Helen's babies wanted to see the wheels go round, so I am very anxious to see the highest honours go round. It is lamentable to feel that *Ichabod* is written over the portals of Deepdale, and that Preston North End should be only fit companions for second-raters. Moreover, when we consider that the income of Aston Villa in 1901-02 was £11,536, and that the club cannot be worth less than £20,000, it is not a sorry spectacle to see them in the last four with three victories in ten matches? Of course, Sunderland have not a population to draw upon like Birmingham, and the mere fact that they have been champions four times must convince anyone that the power of the purse is not supreme at the people's pastime of winter. But Sunderland have only had one season of complete failure. This autumn they have been troubled by many accidents to their players, and they are comparatively low down in the world at present, and Everton are only just above them in order of merit. Of past champions Sheffield United and Liverpool are playing admirably, mainly because they have some new blood in their forward ranks. But look at the new stars in the League firmament. The first for places are, as I open these lines, held by West Bromwich Albion, Derby County, Notts County, and Sheffield Wednesday in the order I have named. Not one of these four has ever been the champion team, and two of them have never been either first, second, or third. I refer to the Albion and the Wednesday. What a splendid stimulus it would be to the sport in West Bromwich, Derby, Nottingham, or Sheffield if any one of them became the leaders of the League at the end of April, 1903. And if I were asked which club I should prefer, I should bluntnly reply Derby County. My reason for this selection is purely impartial. The Albion, Notts, and Wednesday have all won the Cup of the Football Association, but Derby County have never had a single distinction to cheer them on their way. For years they have been trying for the national cup and the League trophy, but they have always failed at the finish. They were the runners-up for the English Cup in 1898 and 1899, but in the first year they were quite outpointed by Nottingham Forest, who gained the reward of their perseverance over twenty-one seasons, while in 1899 they were conquered by the United of Sheffield. In the League, Derby were the runners-up in 1890 to Aston Villa, while in 1894 and 1897 they were placed third in the honours list. Derby have always upheld the best traditions of first-class football, they have invariably had gentlemen on their committees, and they have endeavoured to assist England with good men. In Steve Bloomer the club has supplied England with the cleverest professional forward of recent years, and he may be looked upon as the successor to John Goodall. But we should not forget that J. W. Robinson, the goalkeeper, originally hailed from Derby County, and that B. W. Spillbury, J. D. Cox, George Kelsey, and J. Turner (the half-back), were all contributed to international teams by Derby County. Let one

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of the four win the League Championship, but for choice I should prefer Derby County.
DERBY COUNTY.

Whereas many football clubs have been evolved from Sunday schools and have had most lowly origins, Derby County have always been ambitious. Derby is full of football lore, and there was a time when the inhabitants of two parishes in the Midland town—All Saints' and St. Peter's—used to fight all day at football on Shrove Tuesday. They were terrible street fights, producing huge riots and big trawls. Of course this kind of panache rovelly died a natural death in a large town, and then football under all sorts of mixed rules was played chiefly between the clubs of Derby, Nottingham, Sheffield, and Lincoln. However, in 1884, when the Blackbarn Rovers were in their power, and when the wave of professionalism was coming, Derby County was founded as a football section to the county cricket club by Mr. William Morley, who is the father of the present day chairman, a genial gentleman who takes a great interest in football, although the president is Sir Clement Bowring, whom I had the pleasure of meeting the other week. He is a fine sportsman. In their earliest days, when Derby wore jerseys of chocolate, amber, and pale blue, Derby County were quite an aristocratic combination, but they adopted professionalism in its entirety, and I should like to mention that among those who wore the club livery were Frank Sugg and William Stars, of cricket fame. Derby have always possessed a men of ability, but as I have already intimated, they have just lacked that spice of good fortune to enable them to engrave their name among the immortals. I have already expressed my opinion of their ability this season in my jottings, and despite their defeat by Stoke last Saturday I still have confidence in them to make a greater name than ever before the "chivalric mildness" of spring induces thoughts of cricket.

DERBY COUNTY CAPTAIN.
Derby possess a unique distinction in that they have in their ranks a player who is the oldest of the veterans. Need I say that I refer to Archie Goodall, their wonderful centre half-back, who has taken part in League matches of the First Division ever since the League was founded? No other footballer can show a record like this. If you ask Archie Goodall his age you may be sure of some fun. If you happened to be a mere acquaintance he would promptly say that you were grossly impertinent, for he is an educated man. But even supposing you were a friend he would just laugh in your face the while he said: "It is no part of my duty to humiliate your ignorance." He believes that the age of a footballer should be as secret as that of a lady. Moreover, he contends that a player is as young as he feels, and that so long as he can keep pace with his friends and his legs, no one has any right to enquire into such details. Archie Goodall is proud of his long career, and if he happens to be in a very confidential mood he will reveal the secret that Aston Villa presented him privately with a gold medal for his play in 1888-89. At the same time he insists that this fact must be kept secret, because Aston Villa have never shown such appreciation of any other player. Goodall has many sporting trophies, but he values this more than any other. But the Derby County captain is a wonderfully well preserved man physically, despite the fact that he has been the victim as he avows of more accidents than any man playing nowadays. But possibly the secret of his perennial youth, of his consistent form, and of his lengthy career, is that he has never smoked tobacco and he has never tasted strong and intoxicating liquors. Not only extremely abstemious in everything, Archie Goodall is a man who has always kept himself fit for any hard toil. He eats when he is hungry and drinks when he is thirsty. He sleeps when he is tired. He is not a machine guided by any rules. It may be said that there is a touch of eccentricity and of strong character about him, but remember that he is always rational. He may not be

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regular in his habits of eating, drinking and sleeping, like you or I, but he has always a reason for doing anything and everything, and he does like to have his own way. In fact, he will not be denied, and considering that he is a rich man it is not easy for any club to control him. Derby County allows him to control himself, knowing full well that this extraordinary and voracious man, and this first-class sportsman will always be fit for any strain. It is impossible to coerce Goodall. Why, on one occasion he walked about the streets of Derby while the County team were struggling in the final for the English Cup. His tension was greater than if he had been playing; but he and the committee did not agree at the time. Derby County have a captain who can sign a cheque for a few thousand pounds, who knows the game from Alpha to Omega, who can play with the best at football or most other sports, and is welcomed by many a county gentleman. Can any other League club say this of their captain?

MORE GOODALL GOSSIP.
And yet Archie Goodall has a practical joke. He is of a mechanical and constructive turn of mind. He has a weakness for building the comical hats that comedians sometimes wear on the variety stage. A small but curious headgear tickled him so much that he decided to have a little fun with it. He put it on as he walked through the streets of a big city, and was highly amused when he saw the passers-by stare at him as if he had escaped without his keeper. He turned up at the football ground where he was to play a League match in the afternoon, still adorned with his tiny hat. The gatekeeper declined to admit him, as he had no ticket, and besides, aided the official, "You don't come in here with that hat on." "Don't I," rejoined Goodall, "I'll bet you half-a-crown I do." The wagger was made with good humour, and Goodall, obtaining his authority, sailed in as a player, and then he disclosed himself as the Derby captain. How that gatekeeper did laugh. He is a humorous fellow, a good husband, and a gentle simple fellow, but at the same time he is a good leader, a desperate foe, and a man who would fight till he is "drapped," as the Scots say. I have heard him described as a rough player, but mind, Goodall will show the most chivalrous football so long as his opponents obey the spirit of the rules. But if his foes try to take advantage of him, Goodall is just the man to turn round and say, "Look here, I haven't troubled it for several years, but if you like we'll agree to play that game." And he would play it. It reminds me of the yarn of the Hon. Arthur Kinnaird and Mr. Charles Alcock discussing, many years ago on the field, whether they were to back. Originally they contracted not to back, but they did, and so after discussion they mutually agreed to back away at each other's shins and ankles whenever they felt so inspired. Goodall is just that sort. Many referees will tell you that they have not penalised Archie Goodall for years. He has not a free pass for fouls any more than other footballers; but he so seldom gives trouble. By birth the skipper of Derby County is an Irishman, by descent a Scotchman, and by residence, he is an Englishman. Probably he is 40, but he stands an alert man of 5ft. 7ins., with such a useful poundage as 12st. 4lbs. He can lift weights against a strong man, and he can handle a billiard cue as daintily as a lady. He can ride a bicycle of 104 gear and yet he is a great walker and very fond of driving fast ponies long distances. He can ride a horse, cast a dry fly, and shoot a snipe, while as a cricketer there were many who always considered him class enough for Derbyshire. It is, however, as a football player that I began to write of him, and in this respect I shall close my garrulous chatter respecting this remarkable man. I wonder how many professionals, if left to train themselves, would never miss a League engagement in six successive seasons, and would play their part nobly in 200 matches off the reel. That is what my good friend Archie Goodall did. It is impossible to name any position in the field that he has not filled, but we know his best as a centre half-back. There he has few equals and no superiors. He has great command of the ball, and is a splendid tactician encourages his men as a captain should, and knows every "wrinkle" and "tip" of the trade. A man of considerable mental attainments he likes to dabble in politics and local self-government. And yet he is one of the "muddled ones," "hired ruffians," and of the "trained footpads." Among professionals there is no more honoured name than that of Archie Goodall—a household word wherever the round ball is kicked.

THE GROWTH OF FOOTBALL.
But a few years ago a spectator on football was a scholarly game, and now we see the great

controlling association solemnly drawing up rules not only regulating the sport in England but also the relations between "England and foreign teams," both in England and abroad, with a view to the maintenance of the existing friendly relations between the players of the various countries. Could any document show the growth of the Association game so much as this? Apart from what we have already seen in Canadian and Kaffirs, Germans and Frenchmen coming to this country and of English players visiting the Continent and the Cape, look what the future has in store for us. It was long the dream of Tom Watson to take first the Sunderland eleven and then the Liverpool team to America, but this could not be carried out then, although I have no doubt they would get plenty of matches in Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Boston. And they seem to want civilised football across the pond. Since then the Association have sent a team to Germany, and others followed suit, while the Corinthians have toured in South Africa. But the Corinthians next year propose to journey not only to the Cape but to New Zealand, where they have long desired to see a team of English amateurs. But apart from this, Glasgow Celtic intend to travel in Austria next summer. Southampton have been before them, but this is quite a new move by a Northern professional team. But, best of all, the Dutchmen are sending over a combination from Holland to meet our principal clubs. This is capital. The typical idea of the Dutchman as an obese, beer-drinking, pipe-smoking, lazy lot is all moonshine now. The Dutch love English sports and they have a football league modelled on English lines. We shall all be glad to see the modern flying Dutchman.
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LONDON, via PORTS OF CALL.	ULYSSES	Brit. str.	—	W. B. Palmer, R.N.R.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
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LONDON, via PORTS OF CALL.	PROMETHEUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 17th February.
VERPOOL DIRECT	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th January.
VERPOOL DIRECT	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 20th February.
VERPOOL DIRECT	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
VERPOOL DIRECT	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow, at Noon.
VERPOOL DIRECT	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 27th inst., at Daylight.
VERPOOL DIRECT	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 29th inst., at 1 P.M.
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VERPOOL DIRECT	TELEMACHUS	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th February.
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Capt. Schonfeldt	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	On 13th Jan. Freight.
NURNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 27th Jan. Freight & Passengers.
Capt. Janz	(Calling at Singapore and Penang)	On 10th Feb. Freight & Passengers.
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 24th Feb. Freight.
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R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 11th Feb. 1903
R.M.S. "TARTAR"	4,425 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 26th Feb. 1903
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 15th Mar. 1903
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"	3,882 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 1st Apr. 1903
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 22nd Apr. 1903
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons	WEDNESDAY, 6th May 1903
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+ KONIG ALBERT	WEDNESDAY	24th Dec.
+ PRINZESS IRENE	WEDNESDAY	24th Dec.
+ DAUMSTADT	WEDNESDAY	4th Feb. 1903.
+ STUTTGART	WEDNESDAY	18th Feb. 1903.
+ PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY	4th Mar. 1903.
+ HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY	18th Mar. 1903.
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+ SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY	15th Apr. 1903.
+ KAUTSCHOU	WEDNESDAY	29th Apr. 1903.
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FOR	STEAMERS.	LEAVING
KOBE DIRECT	"KEELUNG MARU"	TUESDAY, 23rd
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ANPING, via SWATOW	"MAIDZURU MARU"	December.
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YAWATA MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SATURDAY, 27th Dec. at Noon.
A. E. MOSES	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE	TUESDAY, 30th Dec. at 4 P.M.
SHINANO MARU	USA, via SHANGHAI, MOJO, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	
W. THOMPSON	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BRISBANE	THURSDAY, 1st Jan. at 4 P.M.
KUMANO MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 2nd Jan. at DAYLIGHT.
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TREMONT	T. W. Garlick	9,006	December 30th
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FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KIOTO AND YOKOHAMA. THE Imperial German Mail Steamship "PRINCESS IRENE."

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain G. Dannemann, due here with the outward German Mail about WEDNESDAY, the 24th inst., at DAYLIGHT, will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1902.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Company's Steamship "SILESIA."

Captain Ghezzy, will leave for the above places on THURSDAY, the 25th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER, WHEELER & CO., Agents.

Prince's Building, Hongkong, 18th December, 1902.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON. THE Steamship "GLENLOCHY."

Captain E. J. Stallard, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 5th January, 1903.

For Freight, apply to McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1902.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

- 21. ITIS, German gunboat, 1,000, from Micho.
- 22. AMARA, British str., 1,565, C. J. Matlock, Taku 14th and Canton 16th Dec, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
- 22. APENADE, German str., 1,540, A. P. Urdorf, Hongkong 14th and Canton 16th Dec, General—JARDINE & CO.
- 22. GUTHRIE, APCAR, British str., 1,730, S. H. Wilson, Calcutta and Straits 6th Dec, Opium and General—DAVID, SANDOZ & CO. LD.
- 22. DAPHNE, German str., 1,290, E. Schipper, Samarang (Java) 11th Dec, Sugar—E. A. TRADING CO.
- 22. FEARLESS, British cruiser, 441, J. I. Graham, Shanghai 19th Dec.
- 22. FOOCHOW, British str., 1,228, Smale, Wuhu 15th Dec, Rice—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
- 22. HUE, French str., 704, Goldwin, Kwanchow 21st Dec, General—A. R. MARTY.
- 22. LARON, Norwegian str., 949, J. A. Jensen, Chinkiang 17th Dec, General—CHINESE.
- 22. PROSPER, Norwegian str., 880, J. Kristiansen, Manila 18th Dec, Ballast—ORDRE.
- 22. THALES, British str., 820, A. J. Hobson, Swatow 21st Dec, General—DOUGLAS LAPELLE & CO.
- 22. VESTA, British ship, 980, S. St. J. Farquhar, Singapore 11th Dec.
- 22. WONGK, German str., 1,115, W. Heber, Bangkok 15th Dec, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

CLEARANCE.

- 22nd December.
- British str. for Canton.
- Norwegian str. for Bangkok.
- Java, British str. for Canton.
- Java, British str. for

OCEAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LD.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.

MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.		
FROM	STEAMERS	TO
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"TELEMACHUS"	On 31st December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"PROMETHEUS"	On 8th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"PYREHUS"	On 14th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"IOMED"	On 28th January.
HOMEWARDS.		
FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON	"ULYSSES"	On 23rd December.
LONDON	"PELEUS"	On 6th January.
LONDON	"ANTENOR"	On 20th January.
LONDON	"TELEMACHUS"	On 2nd February.
LONDON	"PROMETHEUS"	On 17th February.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	"TYDEUS"	On 20th January.
LIVERPOOL DIRECT	"DARDANUS"	On 20th February.

The S.S. "ULYSSES" left Shanghai on the 19th inst., via Amoy, and is due here on the 23rd inst., A.M.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. 11

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LD.

OUTWARDS.		
FROM	STEAMERS	TO
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"NINGCHOW"	On 23rd December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"PAILING"	On 22nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL.	"CHINGWO"	On 3rd February.
HOMEWARDS.		
FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, LONDON and ANTWERP.	"TEENKAI"	On 23rd December.
NAPLES, LEGHORN and LONDON.	"HYSON"	On 23rd December.
MARSEILLES, AMSTERDAM and ANTWERP.	"OOPACK"	On 16th January.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.
FOR VANCOUVER and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.
The S.S. "NINGCHOW" left Singapore on the 19th inst., and is expected here on the 23rd inst.
The S.S. "HYSON" left Moji on the 19th inst., and is expected here on the 23rd inst.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. 12

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI		
STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
"YUNNAN"	On 23rd December.	
"WUHU"	On 25th December.	
"KANSU"	On 27th December.	
FOR SHANGHAI		
STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
"CHINGTU"	On 29th December.	

The S.S. "CHINGTU" left Kobe on the 20th inst., and is expected to arrive here at daylight on the 25th inst.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.
Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other Australian Ports.
See Special Advertisement.
For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. 12

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR MAREILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP.		
STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
"MALACCA"	Noon, 24th December	Freight or Passage.
"A. F. Street"	December	
FOR SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE.		
STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
"MANILA"	About 29th December	Freight or Passage.
"E. A. Peters"	December	
FOR LONDON, etc.		
STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
"VALETTA"	Noon, 3rd January	See Special Advertisement
"W. B. Palmer, R.N.R."	January	
FOR SHANGHAI		
STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
"CHUSAN"	About 3rd January	Freight or Passage.
"C. L. Daniel"	January	

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Without Transshipment.
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E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. 1

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG via MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA FOR OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.		
STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN
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Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to
ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1902. 114

THE RUSSIAN EAST ASIATIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI PORT ARTHUR AND VLADIVOSTOK.
THE Russian Steamer
"KOREA"
Captain Pernitz, will be ready to load here on or about the 15th December, for the above ports, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th November, 1902. 3174

NORDBEUTSCHE LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.
STEAM FOR SANDAKAN.
THE Company's Steamship
"SANDAKAN,"
Captain Schuur, will be ready to load for the above port on the 17th inst.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. 1336

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Calling at Timor, Port Darwin, and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.
THE Steamship
"EASTERN,"
Captain Ellis, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, 9th January, 1903, at DAYLIGHT.
This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.
This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.
A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.
N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. 1333

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED.

General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1902. 1337

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
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"CROYDON" ... About 25th Dec.
"MOGUL" ... 6th Jan.
"HINDUSTAN" ... 15th Jan.
"SHIMOSA" ... To follow.
For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 23rd December, 1902. 711

FOR SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SANTA ROSALIA (MEXICO).
THE Steamship
"VICTORIA,"
Captain Casey, will be despatched for the above ports on or about the 28th inst.
For Freight, &c., apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. 1337

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.
HONGKONG TO SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE VIA USUAL AUSTRALIAN PORTS OF CALL.
AVERAGE LENGTH OF VOYAGE TO SYDNEY 26 DAYS.
Saloon Passengers carried at SPECIALLY REDUCED RATES, particulars of which can be obtained on application to the Undersigned.
NEXT SAILINGS.
"SHINGO" ... leaves on 29th December.
"TAIYUAN" ... " 20th January.
"TSINAN" ... " 18th February.
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Superior accommodation amidships. Electric Light throughout. Fitted with Refrigerators which ensure a fresh supply of Ice and Provisions during the entire voyage. Duly qualified European Surgeons carried.
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1902. 1191

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STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, PORTS OF BRAZIL and RIVER PLATE.
ON MONDAY, the 23rd December, 1902, at 5 P.M., the Company's Steamship "TOKIN" Captain Schmitz, with 300 Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, via BOMBAY.
This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the S.S. "Ville de la Ciotat," which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that port on the 10th January, direct to Suez, Port Said and Marseilles.
Cargo and Specie will be registered for London, as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 23rd December. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office). Contents and Value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1902. 12

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
FOR MANILA.
THE Company's Japanese Mail Steamship
"KUMANO MARU,"
5000 Tons, Captain E. W. Haswell, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 1st January, at 4 P.M.
This well-known Steamer is specially constructed for the service in the Tropics, and is provided with superior accommodation and with all modern fittings and improvements for the safety and comfort of Passengers. Electric Light and Refrigerator. Doctor and Stewardess carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. 13410

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH and LONDON.
THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN and SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.
THE Steamship
"VALETTA,"
Captain W. B. Palmer, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for Bombay, on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.
Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transshipment.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.
For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. 1

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.
THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line, are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with LONDON, CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.
For Freight and further particulars, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1902. 1337

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE H.A.L. Steamship
"SILESIA,"
Captain Babbe, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M., To-day, the 15th inst.
Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th inst., at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE,
Hongkong Office.
Hongkong, 18th December, 1902. 13391

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP and LONDON.
THE Steamship
"MERIONETHSHIRE,"
Captain C. H. Birch, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th inst. will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst., at 10 A.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. 13413

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMSHIP "VICTORIA,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE and MOJI.
The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. 13

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer
"BALLARAT,"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
This vessel brings on Cargo—
From London, &c., ex S.S. "Britannia."
From Persian Gulf, ex B. I. S. N. and B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.
Optional Goods will be landed here; unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M. To-day, 18th inst.
Goods not cleared by the 26th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.
Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representatives at appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1902. 1

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.
NEITHER the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay at Hongkong Harbour:
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1902. 13316

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From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1902. 12383

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Hongkong, 6th December, 1902. 1277

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THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 4, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 29th day of DECEMBER, 1902, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined Special Resolution.
RESOLUTION.
That the Company be wound up voluntarily under the Provisions of the Companies Ordinance 1865 and that the HONOURABLE CHARLES STEWART SHARP, ALEXANDER GEORGE WOOD, and JOHN THOMAS MARTIN WHEELEY be appointed Liquidators of the said Company with liberty for each of them solely to exercise all the powers of the joint liquidators.
Dated this 13th day of December, 1902.
By Order of the Consulting Committee,
WILLIAM D. JUPP,
Acting Manager.
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THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICES of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 30th day of December, 1902, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1902.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd to 31st instant, both days inclusive.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [3371]

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.
SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that the remaining 5 Cents of the 10 Cents Share is now called up and is payable at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 37, Connaught Road, on or before JANUARY 2nd, 1903.
On payment, Shareholders will receive in their hands a receipt for the same.
By Order,
J. W. KEW,
Manager.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [3355]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWELFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED, will be held at the BANK PREMISES, Queen's Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st JANUARY, 1903, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers and considering and if thought fit passing the subjoined Resolution.
To receive and consider statement of accounts and balance sheet for 31st December, 1902, the report of the Director and Auditor thereon, to elect Auditors, and transact the other ordinary business of the Company.
The TRANSFER BOOKS and REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st day of January 1903, both days inclusive.
By Order,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1902. [3405]

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Hongkong, 31st October, 1902. [255]

NOTICE.
OWING to the large increase in the cost of Fodder, &c., we are obliged to raise the price of our MILK to 12 Cents per Small B. title, from 1st JANUARY NEXT.
THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.,
Secretary.
THE HONGKONG DAIRY,
G. W. GEGG,
Manager.
Hongkong, 16th December, 1902. [3390]

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